rice and wheat under PDS. However, allocations of rice and wheat from Central Pool are made to the various States/U.Ts. including Maharashtra on a month to month basis taking into account the stocks in the Central Pool, market availability, offtake trend, relative needs of States/UTs., and other related factors. These allocations are only supplemental in nature and are not intended to meet the entire requirement/demand of States/UTs.

Statement

Allocation of wheat and rice made to Maharashtra during the last six months for PDS.

(In '000 tonnes)

Month	Wheat	Rice
October, 1989	125·0	57·0
November, 1989	150·0	75·0
December, 1989	100·0	52·0
January, 1990	100·0	52·0
February, 1990	100·0	47·0
March, 1990	100·0	47·0

Allocation of foodgrains to Kerala

570. SHRI M. A. BABY : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state the allocations of food items made for the Kerala State for distribution through Public Distribution System during the last three months and the position during the corresponding months of the previous three years?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA) : A statement indicating the required information in regard to rice and wheat is attached. [*See* Appendix CLIII, Annexure No. 23.]

Unemployed registered with the employment exchanges

571. SHRI M. A. BABY : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of unemployed in the live register of employment exchanges as per the latest assessment; and

(b) the placements made during the last three years and break up between public and private sector units, yearwise?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) The number of job-seekers on the live Register of Employment Exchanges in the country, not all of whom are necessarily unemployed as on 31st December, 1989 was 327.76 lakhs.

(b) The number of placements effected through the Employment Exchanges sector-wise during 1986-1988 (latest available) was as under:—

Year	Placements (In thousands)		
	Public Sector	Private Sector	Total
1986	322.7	28.6	351.3
1987	307.9	26.5	334.4
1988	301.3	27.2	228.5